



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Kikuji Yamashita, et al.

Attorney Docket No.: YMUCP001 (new)

Application No.: 09/895,400

Examiner: J.C. Witz

Filed: July 2, 2001

Group: 1651 ✓

Title: ORGANISM-COMPATIBLE  
MATERIALS WITH COMBINED EXTRA-  
CELLULAR MATRICES, EXTRACELLULAR-  
MATRIX PREPARATIONS, AND  
PRODUCTION METHODS (prior to amendment)

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 CFR §1.114)**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
  - i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Any unentered amendment referred to above will be entered.)
  - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
  - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
  - ii. ☐ Affidavit/Declaration
  - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449  
☐ Copies of IDS Citations
  - iv. ☒ Other Revocation Of Prior Power Of Attorney And Grant Of New Power Of Attorney.

2. **Fees:** (The RCE fee is required at the time the RCE is filed.)

Fee Calculation (37 CFR §1.16)

Fee for Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)	\$770 =	770.00
TOTAL		770.00
SMALL ENTITY 50% FILING FEE REDUCTION (if applicable)		385.00

- ☐ a. Applicant hereby petitions for a            month extension of time.
- ☒ b. Applicant believes that no extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorizes the Director to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. YMUCP001).
- ☒ c. Enclosed is our Check No. 8851 in the amount of \$385 to cover the RCE fee, extension of time and additional fees.
- ☒ d. The Director is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. YMUCP001)
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